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In re Tunney, et al.

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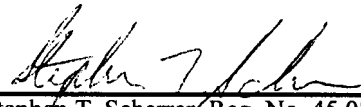
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 CFR §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 are being brought to the attention of the Examiner for consideration in connection with the examination of the above-identified patent application. The references listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449 were previously identified in U.S. Patent Application Nos. 09/689,424 filed October 12, 2000 and 09/689,150 filed October 12, 2000, the parent application(s) of the present application, and copies of the references were furnished at that time. Accordingly, additional copies of the references are not submitted herewith, so as not to burden the file with duplicate copies of references. The Examiner is respectfully requested to carefully review the references in accordance with the requirements set out in the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure.

Applicants submit that this Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted before the mailing date of either a final action or a notice of allowance and is being submitted with the fee set

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forth by 37 CFR §1.17(p). Therefore, Applicants submit that no certification is necessary for consideration of these references.

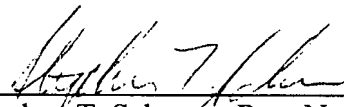
Also, there is reserved the right to later set forth how the instant invention is distinguished over the disclosure of any reference or other art, including the disclosures of those references and other information discussed herein, that may be cited by the Examiner in rejecting a claim in the instant patent application.

The citation of the above documents and other information is not to be construed as an assertion that more pertinent art could not possibly be in existence.

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner indicate consideration of the cited references by returning a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 with initials or other appropriate remarks.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 13-0206 in the amount of \$180 as the fee set forth by 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p).

Respectfully submitted,

  
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